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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 10/12/2005 Amendment.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4,6-15, Renumbered 1-14.
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some*
 - c) None
 of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION
EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Specification

The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: The Brief Description of Drawing Figure 6 is missing from the "Brief Description of the Drawings" section of the Disclosure. Appropriate correction is required.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stephan P. Gribok (Reg. No. 29,643) on 11/28/2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

AMEND CLAIM 6 AS FOLLOWS:

6. (Currently Amended) The electromagnetic sealing structure of claim [5] 1, wherein one of the side wall of the cover member and the conductive wall of the support member has an opening dimensioned to receive a tool whereby one 'of the flanges of said cover member and said support member can be pushed laterally sufficiently to disengage the other of the flanges, for disassembling the sealing structure.

CANCEL CLAIM 16.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4, and 6-15 (Renumbered 1-14) are allowable.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In response to remarks and claim amendments made in Applicant's Amendment submitted 10/12/2005, and upon conclusion of a comprehensive search of the pertinent prior art, the Office indicates that the claims, as amended, are allowable.

Regarding claim 1, patentability exists, at least in part, with wherein the J-shaped hooks of the support member and the cover member are located and sized to engage one another for mechanically and electrically attaching the cover member to the support member for completing at least part of an electromagnetic sealing barrier, and furthermore, the side wall of the cover member and the conductive wall of the support member overlap one another and define a space between said side wall and said conductive wall, wherein the flanges of the support member and the cover member reside in the space and mutually engage one another for holding the cover member on the support member.

Regarding claim 12, patentability exists, at least in part, with engaging a conductive cover member on the support member so as to electrically and mechanically couple with the support member, the cover member having a side wall that overlaps the support member and a flange that is oriented laterally of the side wall and opposite from the flange on the support member; wherein the flanges of support member and the side wall of the cover member are placed to bear against one another in a space

between the support member and the side wall, and wherein said engaging comprises applying a force to snap the flanges over one another in assembling the cover member onto the support member.

The pertinent prior art, alone, or, in combination, does not fairly teach or suggest all of the limitations in the manner as claimed by the Applicant.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

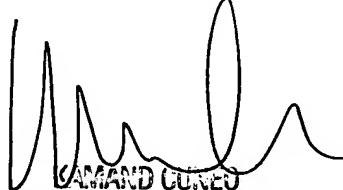
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dameon E. Levi whose telephone number is (571) 272-2105. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. (9:00 - 5:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kamand Cuneo can be reached on (571) 272-1957. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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